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Milwaukee, June 27.

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ALL LETTERS intended for publication, or on business connected with the paper, should be directed to "Free Democrat, Milwaukee, Wisconsin."

To the People of the United States.

The People of the United States, without regard to political differences or divisions, who are opposed to the repeal of the Missouri Compromise, to the policy of the present administration, to the extension of slavery in the Territories, in favor of the admission of Kansas as a free State, and of restoring the action of the Federal Government to the principles of Washington and Jefferson, are invited by the National Committee, appointed by the Pittsburgh Convention of the 22d of February, 1856, to send from each State three Delegates to meet in Philadelphia, on the SEVENTEENTH DAY OF JUNE NEXT, for the purpose of recommending candidates to be supported for the office of President and Vice President of the United States.

By order of the National Committee.

The National Committee, in a circular further say:

We solicit your attention to the call, which has preceded this paper. It is not only to recommend to the people the immediate selection of delegates from the several States, equal in number, to three times the Representatives in Congress, to which each State is entitled to send on the 17th of June, at Philadelphia, to present such individuals as they may think best suited to uphold the cause to which they are devoted as candidates for the Presidency and Vice Presidency, but also to invite the members of the press, who feel that the administration which should control the election, to meet at the same time and place, to confer with the committee, as the best course to pursue in common with success.

Mass State Convention.

We, the undersigned, recommend the holding of a Mass State Convention, at Madison, on Wednesday, the 26th of June, 1856, for the purpose of appointing six delegates to the National Convention, to be held at Philadelphia, on the 17th day of June next, to nominate candidates for President and Vice President, and to organize the Republican party of the State. And all persons are cordially invited to attend and take part in the proceedings of this Convention, who hold to the principles of the Republican Platform adopted July 13th, 1854, when the Republican party of the State was inaugurated, viz: Freedom of Slavery the chief political issue.

Freedom in all the United States Territories.

No more State Slavery.

The Abolition of the Fugitive Slave Act.

Equality of Political Rights irrespective of Birth, Race or Religion.

The support of such men only for office as are positively and fully committed to these principles, and whose personal character and conduct are a guarantee that they are reliable.

All who hold to these principles, and decline all fellowship with the Know Nothing and other parties, are invited to meet at Madison, for the purpose above mentioned, to organize for the coming Presidential Campaign, and to transact such business as the best interest of the party may require. And all Republican editors, and all Republicans who do not wish to be the Republican party controlled by the Know Nothings and destroyed, are requested to aid in circulating and promoting the objects of this call.

L. F. FRIERY.

One of the State Central Committee

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Let all Republicans in favor of a Mass State Convention, on the above basis, write to us and send us their names, to be appended to this call.

[ED. FREE DEM.]

Republican State Convention

A REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION

will be held at the Capitol, in Madison, on Wednesday, the 4th day of June, A. D. 1856, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of appointing six delegates to the National Convention, to be held at Philadelphia, on the 17th day of June next, to nominate candidates for President and Vice President, and to organize the Republican party of the State. And all persons are cordially invited to attend and take part in the proceedings of this Convention, who hold to the principles of the Republican Platform adopted July 13th, 1854, when the Republican party of the State was inaugurated, viz: Freedom of Slavery the chief political issue.

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THE STATE CONVENTIONS.

Next week Wednesday, the Delegate and Mass State conventions are to meet at Madison, and a very large number of Assembly Districts have yet called no conventions to appoint delegates, so that they will either be represented in the Mass Convention or in the Delegate Convention, by volunteers. In this county no Conventions have been publicly called, save in the Wauwatosa District, and whether the Know Nothings, who are on the Committees in every District, intend to call meetings to appoint delegates, in season to have such meetings generally known, we cannot tell. If they would stand aside and let the Republicans, who have no connexion with Know Nothingism, appoint delegates and manage the affairs of the Republican party in this County, they would show good sense, and would not be acting as allies of Pierce, Douglas & Co.

The Republican organization in this County is completely under the control of the Know Nothings, and we see no way for Republicans here to be represented in the Delegate Convention, but to call District Conventions in their primary capacity, and appoint delegates known to have no affinity with Know Nothingism. If the Know Nothing Committees also call Conventions and appoint delegates, the State Convention will choose between them, and their choice will determine the character of the State Delegate Convention. Every true Republican should attend these primary meetings, and endeavor to save the party, if possible, from hopeless defeat.

Nearly one-half of the voters of this State are of foreign birth. To say nothing of the injustice and anti-Republicanism of proscribing men on account of their birth place or religion, the impolicy of such a measure in Wisconsin, must be plain to all who are not demented.—The Republican party, if it takes Know Nothingism to its embrace, will sink beneath the load, covered with deserved obloquy and contempt.

As this is the last number which will reach our Weekly readers, prior to the meeting of the State Convention, we wish to say a word in regard to the present aspects of the Republican party. The course of these Conventions will determine the fate of the party for the next canvass, if not for years. There is much more feeling among the people in regard to these Conventions, and the policy to be pursued, than is apparent on the surface. The number of names attached to the call for a Mass Convention is so more an indication of the number in favor of such a Convention, than is the single name attached to the call for a Delegate Convention an indication of the number in favor of that Convention. We might have had a thousand names to the call for a Mass Convention, had we taken any pains to get them. In many towns, friends write us, that Republicans generally are in favor of the Mass Convention, and so unanimous is the feeling that it is not necessary to send any names. We trust that all who feel an interest in the cause of Freedom, will be at Madison on the 4th of June, if possible. There is no question but the present crisis is one of peril to our cause, and that victory or defeat will depend upon the decisions of that day. The politicians will all be there in person or by proxy. Let the people be there, and see that their cause is not betrayed. One day devoted to the cause now, may be worth ten days three months hence. We expect to see a goodly number at Madison, imbued with the old love of Liberty, and ready to sacrifice all personal interests for the sake of the triumph of Principle.

Anti-Slavery extension Convention.

An Anti-Slavery extension Convention was held at Chicago on Friday last, and delegates were appointed to represent Cook County in the Illinois State Convention, to be held at Bloomington, for the purpose of nominating State Officers. The Convention resolved that J. A. Huffman was its first choice for Lieut. Governor, and unanimously adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That we the delegates to this Convention, are Anti-Slavery men, and are opposed to the extension of Slavery into Free Territory, and that we will not together upon this sole issue, and heartily support the nominees of the forthcoming Bloomington Convention; and that whatever may be our private opinions upon all other political questions, we will ignore them in the coming campaign, and unite upon the one great issue of opposition by all constitutional means to the extension of Slavery in the territories of the United States.

CHURCH BURNED.

The old School Presbyterian church at Iowa City, was destroyed on Monday last.

The Elkhorn Independent says:

If the Delegates Convention does not purge itself of Know-Nothingism, and discharge all members of that party from all responsible positions in the Republican organization, another party will be formed, and there will be no hope of Republican success this year in the State. If it does, all excuse for the Mass Convention will be destroyed, and no separate action will be taken.

It can do no harm for a Mass Convention to assemble. The meeting together of earnest and true Republicans, can never do themselves or the Party any harm.

Then, in this County, let every Assembly District be sure and send two Delegates to the Delegate Convention; and let every man who has the means and can afford the time, go and attend the Mass Convention.

It is a little painful to witness the course of the Delegate Convention partisans against those who favor the idea of a Mass Convention. Painful to see the charges and listen to the arguments advanced in favor of union at all hazards at the Madison and Philadelphia Conventions.

THE FIRST OF THE KIND.—A Convention

of Superintendents of Lunatic Asylums is now in session at Cincinnati. The object of the meeting is to discuss the best methods of treating the insane, morally, physically and medically. If we are not mistaken, it is the first Convention of the kind ever held in the United States.

SALE OF LOGS.—The Sauk Rapids Frontiers-

man states that the sale of logs and lumber seized by order of Government upon the Mississippi and its tributaries in the Sauk Rapids Land office District, took place on the 16th inst., at Sauk Rapids. Upwards of 30,000,000 of feet were sold at public auction.

The Republicans of New Hampshire are to hold a Mass Convention on the 10th of June, to appoint delegates to the National Convention.

Lawrence Destroyed.

By the politeness of Mr. A. Rankin, of Fort Atkinson, who left St. Louis last evening, we have received an Extra from the Saint Louis Democrat Office, giving an account of the destruction of Lawrence. The Lexington (Mo.) Express, of the 22d, 6 o'clock P. M., has a statement from Capt. Eastin, of the Kansas Herald, confirming the account. Sheriff Jones headed the assault. He intended to proceed from Lawrence to Topeka, and destroy that place.

Mr. Rankin says the belief at St. Louis now is, that the friends of the Free State Men from the North will rush in there and protect them, and that civil war is inevitable.

Last Tuesday, Gov. Robinson was brought into Westport. The Ruffians were waiting for a Company from Lexington to escort him to Leecompte, fearing the Free State Men would rescue him. It is believed he will be hung.

No one is allowed to go to Lawrence, who is a Free State man. The following is a copy of the passes given by the Ruffians:

THE BEARER, C. BARTLEY, has leave to pass to Kansas City without being searched.—I touching for him,—he being an acquaintance of mine.

Also, Jacob Switzer. Capt. E. B. BELL. FRANKLIN, May 20th, 1856.

THE Oshkosh Democrat has the following pointed and significant article in relation to the policy and prospects of the Republican party. What it says about Legislative and Congressional intermeddling, is true to the life. Our Legislative Caucus sent delegates to the Pittsburgh Convention, and undertook to call a State Convention, to choose delegates to the Nominating Convention and Presidential Electors.—The Oshkosh Democrat says:

"The self constituted patent managing machine at Washington has around out a new set of candidates for the Republican party and has now an exhibition such specimens as Judge McLean for President, and Col. Fremont for Vice President. Now without saying one word in relation to the candidates, (for we would not speak evil of them, and no human being can say any good of them in relation to the Slavery Question) yet we do venture the assertion that the Legislative and Congressional officious and uncalled for intermeddling and attempted dictation has so cursed the party with the reproach of being under the dictation of a set of unprincipled demagogues, so perfectly robbed it of the appearance of being a spontaneous outburst of the indignation and good people, that tens of thousands of honest men and women, who were for a political reform, and who waited for the assurance that the Republican party was for the earnest and would be true to principle, to unite with us, have already lost hopes, and look upon all political parties, as mere mercenary organizations to grind the face of the poor."

"It has always been understood and expected that Legislative and Congressional influences were corrupt in their tendencies, but the honest masses did not anticipate that sending Republicans to Congress would reduce them to that state of absolute imbecility, that they would attempt to list with the people candidates who had never won the Anti-Slavery armor, and who, even yet, occupy very questionable positions. We have aimed to avoid that spirit of fault finding, which we believed to rise in the sorrow upon the nomination of men whose practices have given no evidence of devotion to the Republican principle of Freedom to all men; but we considered that the party was only in its gristle, and fondly hoped that it would soon manifest a spinal firmness, which should obliterate its juvenile weaknesses, but we have long, all confidence in our would-be leaders. Our bear dogs are too engrossed in catching fleas to be good for anything else. If they persist in bringing up candidates whose antecedents have never been opposed to the domination of the Slave Power, they will elect them if they can get the necessary number of votes. But that class of men who were so overjoyed by seeing the Buffalo Platform adopted unanimously by Barnburners that against their convictions of the justice of his nomination, consented to vote for Martin Van Buren as an Anti-Slavery candidate, and have lived through that traitorous conspiracy to "crush out" the Anti-Slavery sentiment, by adopting their principles on paper, and offering them in sacrifice to the moloch of Slavery; we believe will be unwilling to have the same experiment performed the second time, even though the executioner should be christened "Republican."

"We acknowledge that it is the right of an individual or a party to go in to win, and shall do no fault with any for resorting to all fair means to win; but despite the dishonest labor to obtain. There are, at least, a few men in this nation who have labored long and ardently to win the triumph of a glorious principle of self-evident, preeminent beauty and truth. The principle whose potency of loveliness gave to free America her existence and her power, but which has long been stifled and paralyzed by the corrupt and corrupting influences of the successive Administrations. It was the struggle of this principle writhing in the grasp of official despotism which aroused the energies of the friends of freedom, and called the Republican party into existence. A mighty host has been gathered, Anti-Slavery sentiment triumphs on paper, while the Ben Butlers and Preston Kings cry out, 'you have got the platform, now give us Van Buren for a candidate; votes it is thought necessary that the candidate should not be obnoxious to the charge of being an opposer to the Slave Power, or even being in the least hesitated to obey its devilish demands.'"

"Well, gentlemen, if your policy is only to get the majority of votes, you would probably put yourselves on the sure side by nominating Frank Pierce, S. A. Douglas, or some one who has made himself more conspicuous as a tool of the Slave Power than Judge McLean had the opportunity of doing; then for Vice or, if you prefer a Western man, we would respectfully suggest the name of Wm. A. Barstow; but honest Anti-Slavery men will decidedly prefer casting their votes for some tried and true man."

Editor's Table.

THE TANGLETOWN LETTERS.—Being the reminiscences, observations and opinions of T. MOTHERS, Esq., including a report of the Great Mammoth Reform Convention.

This amusing book is a "take off" on "Woman's Rights," and the other popular reforms of the day. The style of the writer is free and easy—rather too much so—and nothing escapes his satire, from the Free Lovers down to Shang hai.

Published by Wanser, McKim & Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

LAKE SIDE WATER CURE.—The proprietors of the Lake Side Water Cure, at Madison, have engaged the services of Dr. Kittredge, of Boston.

Enormous quantities of apples, says the N. Y. Journal of Commerce, have perished this spring after having reached this market, the growers having held back for better prices until too late, and the ones were then aggravated by an excess of supply.

Border Ruffianism Triumphant!

THE Border Ruffians in Congress and in Kansas seem to be acting in concert, in assaulting and endeavoring to murder the friends of Freedom. We do not regret to see the true spirit of Slavery thus exhibited. Slaveholders beat, mangle and kill their Slaves with impunity,—why should they not treat the Slave's friends in the same way? SUMNER could not have died more gloriously than to have been killed on the spot by that South Carolina Ruffian, Brooks. We wish the Slaveocrats would now cane SEWARD, and then, with the aid of the Northern serviles, expel every Republican Senator. We hope the President, the Chief of the Border Ruffians, will issue a proclamation of outlawry against the Free State Men of Kansas and offer a reward for them as traitors, and send his troops to arrest, shoot and hang the rebels. DOUGLAS & Co. have been entirely too lenient. Expel, exterminate, the Free State men from Kansas, and shoot those who won't go. Nobody but Slaveholding Saints and serviles have any right to settle in Kansas.

Will the North ever arouse itself to vindicate its own manhood, or will its people be quiet and see their Senators and Representatives murdered in the Halls of Congress, by the Southern Despots? For our part, we care precious little how quick the contest comes to blows, if it must be settled in that manner. And we are glad it has begun in the Senate as well as on the plains of Kansas, in such a mean and despicable way. SUMNER was struck by a cowardly coward, without warning, and rendered insensible by the first blow. But the brutal coward kept on pounding him, till he broke his cane over his head. A deed worthy of the South Carolina chivalry, the aristocracy of women-whippers and baby-stealers! Perhaps the North can be kicked into a position of self-respect. But if it don't treat the latest insults of the Border Ruffians, its people ought to be made Slaves, and we hope they will be. For our part, we think of emigrating to Russia, or some other free and civilized country.

SEANER SUMNER'S SPEECH ON THE KANSAS QUESTION.

OF Mr. Sumner's speech the N. Y. Tribune's Washington correspondent, says:

Senator Sumner's Kansas speech is the most masterly, striking and scathing production of the Session. The galleries were crowded with intellect, beauty and fashion, and the ante-rooms were also thronged. His expatriation of Douglas was scornfully withering and scorching. He designated Senator Butler as the Don Quixote of Slavery, and Douglas as its Sancho Panza. Mr. Sumner never before made such an impression in force, manner, and emphatic style. He was animated and glowing throughout, hurling defiance among the opposition, and bravely denouncing the Kansas expedient from first to last. Some passages quite electrified the Chamber, and gave a new conception of the man.

Mr. Buchanan, in a speech at Philadelphia,

said of the people of England:

They are tolerant of argument; they meet you and encounter you, and right or wrong, they never become offended, as no enlightened people ever will, with the free and honest expression of bold opinion.

Buchanan, we regret to state, cannot truthfully say the same of the people of all portions of our Free Republic. In the Southern States, "the free and honest expression of bold opinion," frequently subject its utterer to a "cost of tar and feathers."

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT ST. PAUL.

A row of wooden buildings was quickly consumed by fire at St. Paul, Minnesota, during a high gale on Wednesday last. Loss \$50,000.

FIRE AT SAUK CITY.

The dwelling of Joel P. Mann at Sauk City, Sauk Co., was destroyed by fire on the 23d inst. Furniture mostly saved. Loss \$1,500.

ONSLAUGHT ON THE LIQUOR SHOPS AT PLATTVILLE.

On Friday evening of week before last, the women of Plattville, armed with hatchets, demolished several liquor shops in that village, but they were finally driven off by the liquor dealers, who were armed with guns, pistols, daggers, and knives.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT ROCHESTER.

On the morning of the 24th inst, Curtis' Block, at Rochester, N. Y., was destroyed by fire, with a portion of its contents. Loss on building, \$30,000; on goods, between \$10,000 and \$15,000. There was but little insurance on the property. The building was owned by H. M. Curtis, and was four stories high. During the conflagration, George Wright narrowly escaped by jumping from a second story window.

VESSEL SUNK.—The schooner Henrietta was

run into and sunk by the schooner Caroline, at Chicago, on Friday last. She was damaged to the amount of about \$1,000.

An enthusiastic anti-Nebraska Meeting was

held at Galena, on Thursday, in which a large number of prominent Democrats participated.

WILD WILLIE RETURNED TO HER FRIENDS.

It will be remembered that the unfortunate girl known as "Wild Willie," was taken charge of, by some humane ladies of our city for the purpose, if possible, of restoring her to usefulness and sanity. She was placed in an Honorable Hospital for medical treatment, but thus far all efforts towards her recovery have proved fruitless. Upon consultation with the City authorities relative to sending her to the Insane Asylum at Jacksonville, it was decided not to endeavor to procure her admittance to that institution for the reason that the law requires that lunatics shall be residents of the State, except in particularly urgent cases, but coming a victim in the rule. Her friends in Milwaukee, where her home really is, being consulted, they have signified their willingness to take charge of her and endeavor to have her sent to the Insane Asylum of that State. On Wednesday she left for Milwaukee in charge of Aid. Sexton, and several ladies, who have taken much interest in her unfortunate condition.—Chicago Tribune of the 22d inst.

A HUMILIATING FACT.—In a speech made

before the Hamilton Co. (O.) Republican Convention, Judge Hoadly, lately a prominent democrat, said: "If General Washington was alive to-day, and were to utter the sentence contained in his will, with reference to his slaves, and were resident in the Territory of Kansas, he would be consigned to the Penitentiary for two years under the Pierce Administration."

The ferry-boat running between Koshkuk

and Hamilton sunk on Tuesday afternoon last from striking a snag. She had about fifty passengers, seven two-horse wagons and about thirteen head of cattle. All saved.

Safely Arrived.

The transcript of the testimony taken before the Kansas Investigating Committee, and despatched to Washington, by Mrs. Gov. Robinson, has arrived safely and been put into the hands of the Speaker of the House.

Another batch of the evidence, taken since Mrs. Robinson left, passed through Chicago on Thursday on its way to the same destination. It is a burning shame, that in a government like ours, an investigating committee from the House of Representatives, on our own soil should be obliged to send copies of their proceedings, as fast as they transpired, and by secret messengers, to save them from destruction by men, with whom the present corrupt and wicked administration sympathize.

Great Destruction of Property and Loss of Life.

A destructive flood recently occurred in Lincoln County, Tennessee, which uprooted trees, tore away fences, drowned stock, washed away crops, and swept off the plowed soil, leaving the farmer the subsoil to plow and plant again. So fearful have been its ravages in some localities, as to destroy almost, if not entirely, the probability of a crop this year. The loss sustained by the agricultural community is immense.

Some, while asleep, were unawares swept away by the fearful tide, and drowned in its flood. The house of Mr. George Brame, on Mulberry Creek, was torn from its foundation, carried off into the stream, together with his four children, and Mrs. Brame was so badly injured by the falling timber and drift, that her recovery is very doubtful. Two daughters and a grand child of Mr. John Clark, near Petersburg, on Cane Creek, were washed from their beds and drowned.

SEAMEN'S WAGES.—At a meeting of the

Committee of the Chicago Board of Trade, on Friday evening last, the rates of seamen's wages were fixed as follows:

For grain trade \$18 per month.

Green Bay, Saginaw, and all other trips below Death's Door, \$22 per month.

For East and West Lake Shore trade, not including Grand Haven, Kalamazoo, St. Joseph and Muskegon, \$25.

Grand Haven, Muskegon, St. Joseph and Kalamazoo, \$32.

ASSAULT ON MR. SUMNER.—The Commit-

tees of both Houses of Congress have taken preliminary steps to the investigation of the circumstances attending the assault upon Mr. Sumner.

"Nogus," of the Boston Chronotype, alias

Dr. Kittredge, is to take charge of the Lake Side Water Cure, at Madison. He will be a great accession, and we congratulate the proprietors on their good luck.

HESLER'S PHOTOGRAPHIC AND FINE ART

GALLERY, in Metropolitan Block, Chicago, is unrivaled in the West for the number, variety, and excellence of its pictures, and is a fitting monument to the industry, skill and success of the Artist. Mr. Hesler took the prize at the World's Fair, three years ago, for Daguerreotypes. He also took the prize at the State Fair, for Photographs and large Daguerreotypes.—Those visiting Chicago should not fail to go and see his Picture Gallery. The fitting up of his rooms cost Five Thousand Dollars.

As an artist, Mr. Hesler has no superior—hardly an equal—in the country.

See his advertisement.

In North Carolina common schools are rapidly increasing. In the year 1849 they were attended by 90,000 scholars. Last year the attendance was 120,000 in the State.

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This, Monday Evening, May 26 1856,

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Lectured by.....Miss THORNE.

To conclude with the Drama entitled

Faint Heart Never Won Fair Lady!

Duchess de Forcenover.....Miss THORNE.

Price of Admission, 50c.

Seats can be procured during the day, from 10 A. M. to 12 1/2 P. M., and from 3 P. M. Doors open at 7. Performance to commence at precisely 7 1/2 P. M.

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